28. (New) The optical switch recited in Claim 26, wherein said at least one mirror array

includes a first MEMS mirror array optically coupled to a second MEMS mirror array with said

optical component therebetween.

29. (New) The optical switch recited in Claim 26, wherein said first port and said second

port are separately located input and output ports, respectively.

REMARKS

The Applicants originally presented Claims 1-15 for consideration in the parent application

(Serial No. 09/641,122). New Claims 16-30 are now introduced in the present divisional application

as being directed to the non-elected species embodied in FIGUREs 3 through 8.

The Applicants submit that the foregoing claims are allowable. Therefore, a Notice of

Allowance for Claims 16-29 is respectfully requested.

Should it facilitate allowance of the application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the

undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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